

# Career Tech Matters

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The inaugural Career Tech Kids Day last year was an unqualified success so we are excited to offer it again this year.



The brainchild of Cosmetology instructor Donna Patrick, the half-day career camp is presented in partnership with 4-H of Pickaway and Ross counties.

Scheduled for 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 18, the sessions connect our labs to 4-H activities.

Staff members who have volunteered to lead sessions are Alex Deaton (making sock puppets); Brent Ebert (making key chains); Ryan Holbrook (building bat houses); Mark Johnston (building a bird house); Tea McCaulla (painting tiles); Mark Misita (rubber band engineering); Donna Patrick (making home school spirit bows); Darren Plessinger (making free-flight airplanes); Susan Schwalbach (making kindness rocks); and Tammy Tipton (First Aid).

The event is intended for students in second through eighth grades but new this year, Donna is asking staff members to come up with sessions that would be of interest to parents.

So far, we have one: Tony Eallonardo has signed up to run a session on the magic of Disney.

Donna said staff members who would like to conduct a session for parents are welcome to speak



The prize wheel was a big hit with visitors in between sessions.



Tea McCaulla's session, in which students painted ceiling tiles for use at the Chillicothe VA, was a big hit last year and will be offered again.

with her about topic ideas.

"Teachers don't have to host a session tied to their area of teaching," she said. "Look at Tony and Darren. If you have a hobby that might be fun to share, let's make it happen."

Other staff members who are volunteering their time are Tyleah Alley, Robin Bussey, Tracey Eyre and Tammy Sutherland. Jamie Nash and Shara Cochenour will be on hand to represent the administration.

In the commons, tables will be set up with people available to talk about our programs and 4-H.

Sponsors this year are Kingston National Bank, which is providing drawstring bags for participants; McDonald's and Perfection One Collision Center, which are providing lunch and water for participants; RC Pro Shop, which is providing supplies for Darren's session; and Roosters, which is providing food for volunteers.

If you'd like to be involved, please contact Donna.

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